

BELMONT PERMANENT BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

May 13, 2003

The meeting of the Permanent Building Advisory Committee was called to order by Karen Pressey on May 13, 2003 at 7:30 P.M. Pat Brusch needed to attend the Council on Aging Meeting to assist with preparation for warrant articles for the proposed Senior Center and joined the Permanent Building Committee meeting later. Present were: Karen Pressey, Robert Jones, Robert McLaughlin, Joel Mooney, and Patricia Brusch. Rick Kobus, and Mark Szpak were absent.

General:

Minutes were approved for April 22, 2003

Town Hall Complex Committee: Joel indicated that the relocation spaces are nearly 90% completed. The top floor is now occupied and the Town Clerk's Office and Auditorium are finished. Joel did not feel that a Project Manager would be necessary for this project at this time.

The filed sub bids are in and the General Bids are due tomorrow.

The modulars at high school should be ready around June 15 to 20.

Fire Stations: Bob Mc Laughlin will provide liaison with Fire Chief for the installation and construction of temporary facilities at the town yard.

The issue was raised again about providing for a separate vote to be taken at Town Meeting for a parking feasibility study for Belmont Center. Such a study should be comprehensive and include an analysis of both vehicle and foot traffic around and through the center, the impact of commuter parking, current parking space usage at different times of day, weekday vs. weekend, times of year, etc. Joel will prepare information on work done to investigate the parking issue to date.

There is a possibility of a Fire Station Debt Exclusion next Fall.

Senior Center: If the Town Meeting approves the advancement of the Senior Center Project to the schematic stage a final decision must be reached quickly about whether or not the Library Trustees want to include a Branch Library at the site. The estimated cost for the Feasibility study is \$100,000. This will include the analysis of design and cost issues as well as a Peer Review Study, Geo/Tech Studies, a Site Survey, and Building Committee expenses.

Bob McLaughlin noted that the Press Box issue was heard in Court last week and a decision is pending

Pat Bruschi reminded the members of the importance of the Mega-Meeting on Monday, May 19, 2003.

Next Meeting: Thursday June 5, 2003 Chenery Middle School
Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Pressey